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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL COMMANDERS

SUBJECT: Garrison Commander's Policy Memorandum No. 22 – Vehicle Washing and Maintenance

1. One of the most intractable threats to our environment is “non-point source” pollutants, i.e., pollutants that cannot be traced to a single source but that accumulate in our air and water from thousands of ubiquitous sources. A primary source of this type of pollution is the run-off from streets and parking lots. Vehicle washing and maintenance in unprotected areas can contribute substantially to this problem and can cause soil, surface water, and ground water contamination in violation of the Clean Water Act and other environmental laws and regulations.
2. Therefore, no vehicles or other equipment will be washed outdoors on Fort Gordon, except at established washing facilities such as tactical vehicle wash racks or commercial car washes. This restriction includes tactical vehicles, other government vehicles, and other types of equipment, such as mobile kitchens. The exterior of privately owned vehicles (POVs) may be washed in quarters areas, but POV engines and undercarriages may be washed only at wash facilities. Organized car washes for fund raising purposes may be permitted, but only in specifically designated locations and only with the prior approval of the Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security. Vehicle washing during field chemical decontamination exercises may also be permitted, but only with proper advance documentation and the prior approval of the Range Control Office, Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security and the Environmental Division, Directorate of Public Works.
3. All vehicle maintenance and Security on the installation must be performed in motor pools, the Auto Crafts Shop, or commercial service bays. This restriction includes POVs, tactical vehicles, and all other government vehicles. Emergency repairs (e.g., tire changes or battery replacements) are an exception to this restriction. Vehicle maintenance during field training exercises may also be an exception, but it requires proper advance documentation and prior approval from Range Control and Environmental Division, Directorate of Public Works.
4. The proponent for this policy is Environmental Division, Natural Resources Branch, Department of Public Works, 706-791-6374.


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This memorandum supersedes the Garrison Commander's Policy Memorandum No 65— Vehicle Washing and Maintenance, dated 25 July 2000.